

Tunnel Hill United Methodist Church

The Messenger

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*"I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength,
that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service."
- 1st Timothy 1:12*

When's the last time you felt used? Not used as in stepped on or taken advantage of, but truly used by God for His purposes. It's the greatest feeling in the world.

The Apostle Paul knew what it was like to be used by God. In the 1st Chapter of 1st Timothy, Paul says that he's thankful that God saw fit and trustworthy to use him in ministry. He was thankful because at one point in his life Paul believed that there was absolutely no way God would ever use him.

Paul had convinced himself that he was the number one sinner on the planet but then he met Christ and God started to use him in mighty ways. No one could believe it. God took this incredible sinner and transformed him into a powerful apostle. Paul learned firsthand what it was like to be transformed and used by God.

The good news of the gospel is that we don't have to be perfect or flawless to serve God. We just have to be willing.

The other bit of good news is that our God gives us everything that we need to be His servant. Paul thanked God because he knew that it was God that had given him the strength to serve. When God calls us to serve, He also enables us and equips us.

- He'll give you strength when you're spiritually and physically drained.
- He'll give you His peace when you're hurting.
- He'll give you His hope when you feel hopeless.
- He'll give you courage when you find yourself paralyzed by fear.

So have you let God know that you're willing to be used by Him for His purposes? If not, I encourage you to talk to Him about it today. Simply ask God to lead you to a place in the church or community where you can serve and see where His Spirit leads you. I can promise you that you won't regret it.

Grace and Peace,
Jay



PRAYER LIST

Al Nuckolls, Kathyne Middleton, Margaret & Jim Doyle,
Sis Damron, Chet Dreschel, Mildred Dreschel,
Ray & Pat Anderson, Barbara Vaughn, Shirley Gribble,
Vera Nations

THUMC's Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts
Brooks Lansing-Jim Lansing's Brother
Sue Broome-Friend of Janice Helton
Terry Corcoran-Erin Middleton's Dad
Agnes Sutton-Kay Henderson's Mother
Kenneth Tatum-Veda Nuckolls' Brother
Raya Owens-Friend of Jada Barton
Gabarb Vaughn Summers
Breanne Locklear-Jo Anna Davenport's niece
Marge Fox-Cindy Fehd's mother
Brantley Dean-Friend of Julie Frisbee
Peggy Cochran-Friend of Amy Roberts
Whitley Brooker-Friend of Lindsey Roberts
Orallia Hernandez-friend of the Middletons
Richard Sharp-Friend of Stephanie Loggins
Jackie Neel – Anne Monk's Sister
Kinslie Marie Flowers-friend of Julie Frisbee
Dolly Hamby-friend of Kay Jernigan
Eddie Mac Sanders-Friend of Kenny Gowin
Ricky Reed-friend of Amy Roberts
Kyler Bass-Friend of Wendy Voiles
Glen Dean-Friend of Susie Webb
Agee Martin-Valerie Cleaver's brother
Alyssa Talley
Brecklynn Allgood
Doug Mitchell
Tina Taylor-Val Cleaver's Sister
Carl Hooper-Friend of Amy Roberts
Trish Phillips-Friend of Jeanine Clark
James Breeden-Friend of Butch Middleton
Virginia Campbell
Teresa Evans-Friend of Amy Roberts
Scott Hannah-Friend of Todd Middleton
Betty Fetzer-Tammy Horne's mother
Jack Rhodes-Grandson of Linda & Gerald Pack
Arlene Hooker-Friend of Gwen Maddox
James & Lynda Quarles-Friend of Gwen Maddox
Marilyn Brown-Friend of Gwen Maddox
Ali & Jase Carter-Friend of Susie Webb
B.J. Jarrett-Nancy Hampton's nephew
Mr. Andrew Martin-Valerie Cleaver's uncle
Cheryl Quarles-Friend of Julie Frisbee
Mrs. Barbara (Bobbie) Phillips-Mickey Reed's sister
*The family of Mrs. Ruth Tacy-Joe Kauffman's sister
(*Denotes new additions)

To add/remove a friend or loved one to the Prayer List,
please contact the church office at 706- 673-4022 or
thumc@optilink.us. Thanks!



Thursday, January 24

7:00 PM Grief Support Group (FEL. CL.)

Sunday, January 27

9:00 AM Choir Practice (S)

9:15 AM Intercessory Prayer (Library)

10:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship

Monday, January 28

6:00 PM Cub Scouts (F.H.)

6:30 PM Missions Committee meeting (FEL. CL.)

Tuesday, January 29

5:15 PM Girl Scouts-Cadettes (Ch. Room)

6:30 PM Brownies & Juniors (YR)

6:30 PM Finance Committee meeting (FEL. CL.)

7:00 PM Boy Scout meeting (F.H.)

Wednesday, January 30

5:45 PM Mid Week Meal Served (F.H.)

6:15 PM AWANA

6:30 PM Oasis Student Ministry

6:30 PM Church Wide Information Session (see pg. 3)

Thursday, January 31

7:00 PM Grief Support Group (FEL. CL.)

Sunday, February 3

9:00 AM Choir Practice (S)

9:15 AM Intercessory Prayer (Library)

10:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship



There is no way that Oasis can ever thank this congregation enough. Really, there is no way I can thank this congregation enough. While God has been moving in this group of youths, you have poured into them in a way that is simply astounding. Our True Love Retreat was a fantastic, Christ-filled weekend, and now we look forward to Epworth. With our numbers pushing 35, and three more coming up into 6th grade in May, it's an exciting time to be part of Oasis. Epworth is going to be a big one this year! I am grateful, humbled, and pray for your continued support as these students grow stronger in their walk with God.

Garrett Teems
Youth Pastor



The Apostle Paul used "walking" often in his writings, to refer to our journey with Christ.

He once wrote, *"Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time because the days are evil."* - Ephesians 5:15-16".

Being a disciple isn't a one-time event or something we do every once in a while, it is the daily interaction with Him. It is the step by step, one foot in front of the other walk that brings spiritual growth.

It begins with the first step of salvation and continues daily by us walking with Christ.

May we all make the time throughout each day to draw closer to Him.



UPCOMING CHURCH WIDE INFORMATION SESSION

You are invited to a "General Conference Information Session" which will be led by Pastor Jay in the Sanctuary on Wednesday, January 30th at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to provide information to our congregation about the upcoming Special General Conference that will meet in St. Louis, Missouri on **February 23rd-26th, 2019**

The General Conference is the top policy-making body of The United Methodist Church comprised of over 800 delegates from all over the world. This conference typically meets once every four years. However, at the last conference held back in 2016, The Council of Bishops called for a **Special Session of the General Conference** to meet in February 2019 to receive and act on a report from the Commission on a Way Forward.

Important decisions will be made at this upcoming conference that will impact the future of the United Methodist Church.

Therefore, Pastor Jay wants our church family to be informed and in prayer about this meeting. More information about the Special General Conference can be found at www.ngumc.org/GC2019.

ONLINE GIVING AND AUTOMATIC DRAFTS

THUMC's Finance Committee offers two ways to give your tithes and support the ministries of THUMC. You can now set up automatic drafts and give online. Please contact Karen Chesser, THUMC's Financial Secretary, at chessers@optilink.us for more information on how to enroll for this service.

SAVE THE DATES

- Monday, January 28th, 6:30pm, Missions Committee meeting (FEL. CL.)
- Tuesday, January 29th, 6:30pm, Finance Committee meeting (FEL. CL.)
- Wednesday, January 30th, 6:30pm General Conference Info Session (Sanctuary)

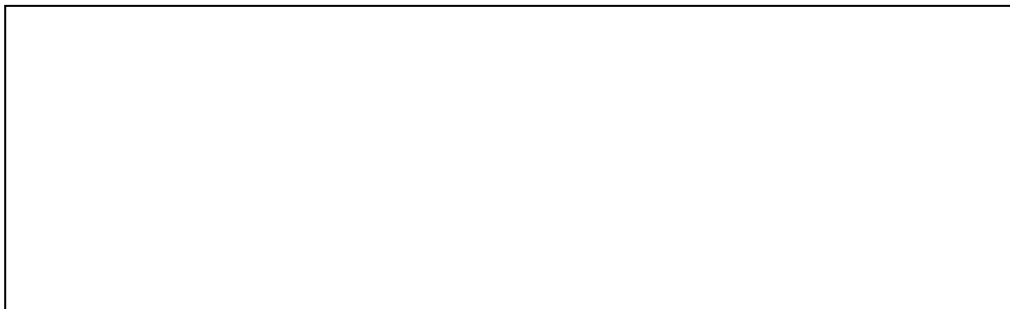
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

USHERS: Justin Barton, Gene Henderson,
Mark Teems & Chuck Davidson

NURSERY: Jada Barton

OFFERING TEAM: Chuck Davidson &
Brenda Hampton

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3

USHERS: Hank Walker, Jack Jackson,
Chandler Matthews & Hunter

Frisbee

NURSERY: Julie Frisbee

OFFERING TEAM: Becky Gowin & Lee
Grimmett

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

USHERS: See Sunday, Feb. 3

NURSERY: Brenda Hampton

OFFERING TEAM: See Sunday, Feb. 3

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

USHERS: See Sunday, Feb. 3

NURSERY: June Lansing

OFFERING TEAM: See Sunday, Feb. 3

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekly Budget Needed: \$5,130.00

GIVING FOR DECEMBER 23

GENERAL BUDGET: \$15,604.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$360.00

GIVING FOR DECEMBER 30

GENERAL BUDGET: \$3545.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$357.00

GIVING FOR JANUARY 6

GENERAL BUDGET: \$5777.60

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$242.00

GIVING FOR JANUARY 13

GENERAL BUDGET: \$3253.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$5.00

GIVING FOR JANUARY 20

GENERAL BUDGET: \$2624.86

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$81.00

ATTENDANCE FOR DECEMBER 23

Sunday School – 75

Worship – 148

ATTENDANCE FOR DECEMBER 30

Sunday School – 64

Worship – 132

ATTENDANCE FOR JANUARY 6

Sunday School – 65

Worship – 134

ATTENDANCE FOR JANUARY 13

Sunday School – 71

Worship – 154

ATTENDANCE FOR JANUARY 20

Sunday School – 68

Worship – 134